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March 17, 1980

Mr. Carl Dundas
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Electoral Office
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Dear Mr. Dundas:

Please excuse the delay in replying to your letter of January 9, 1980. We have been endeavoring to obtain some material on U.S. elections. The enclosed book is the first installment on our endeavors.

I understand that members of my staff have had informal contacts with the Electoral Committee, and have been trying to assist the Committee insofar as we can. I have encouraged them to continue the contacts, and I wish to assure you that I and this Embassy stand ready to assist you in any way we properly can in your important task.

Perhaps of interest to you: we are arranging for a trip to the U.S. by Dr. J.E. Greene of the U.W.I. in order to study and observe the electoral processes in the U.S. It occurs to me that he might be of assistance to you.

I wish to thank you for the opportunity to assist in this vital manifestation of democracy.

Sincerely yours,

Loren E. Lawrence
American Ambassador

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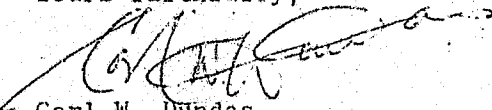
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Your Excellency,

As you no doubt are aware, we are in the process of restructuring the Electoral System here in Jamaica. I believe we might be greatly assisted in our efforts by learning more about the system in operation in your country. I shall be grateful to have any assistance which you may be able to render in this regard.

More generally, I am in the process of establishing a library of literature in respect of the Electoral Systems in existence today and particularly in the Western Democracies. I shall be grateful for any further assistance which you may be able to render towards this effort.

I am,
Yours faithfully,


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